

The listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument, particularly vascular endoprosthesis (1), having a deformable structural part, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the structural part is composed of two or multiple layers, whereby the layers (2, 3) have different electrical and/or magnetic properties.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the structural part has an expandable framework structure, formed by a plurality of metallic struts connected with one another.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the framework structure has interruptions (5), in such a manner that current paths that are closed in themselves are avoided within individual layers (2, 3) of the structural part.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the interruptions (5) are situated in different positions that do not lie directly on top of one another, in different layers (2, 3) of the structural part.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 3 ~~or 4, characterized in that~~ wherein the interruptions (5) are disposed in such a manner that a continuous current path (6) that extends from one end region of the structural part to the opposite end region is formed, at least within one layer (2, 3).

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the continuous current path (6) is configured in helix shape.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 3 ~~or 4, characterized in that~~ wherein the interruptions (5) are disposed in such a manner that two or more current path segments (6', 6'') configured essentially in helix shape are formed within at least two layers (2, 3) that lie on top

of one another, whereby the current path segments (6', 6'') of different layers (2, 3) of the structural part are disposed so that they overlap at least partially.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to ~~one of claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the continuous current paths (6) or current path segments (6', 6'') formed within different layers (2, 3) of the structural part are connected with one another.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the current paths (6) or current path segments (6', 6'') are connected with one another by way of at least one electrical capacitor (8).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the capacitor (8) is formed by electrically conductive regions of the layers (2, 3) of the structural part that lie on top of one another.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to ~~one of claims 7 to 10~~ claim 7, ~~characterized in that~~

wherein the current paths (6) or current path segments (6', 6'') are connected with one another by way of feed-throughs between the layers (2, 3).

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 6 ~~or 7, characterized in that~~ wherein the current paths (6) configured in helix shape or current path segments (6', 6'') have an opposite direction of rotation in the different layers (2, 3).

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the capacitor (8) and the inductive resistors (7, 9) formed by the current paths (6) or current path segments (6', 6'') are coordinated with one another in such a manner that a high-frequency resonator is formed, the resonance frequency of which is equal to the resonance frequency of an MR device.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to ~~one of claims 1 to 13~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein at least two of the layers (2, 3) of the structural part consist of materials having opposite magnetic susceptibilities.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to ~~one of claims 1 to 14~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the layers (2, 3) of the structural part are formed by two or more tube-shaped elements disposed coaxially.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): Medical implant or instrument according to ~~one of claims 1 to 15~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein layers (2, 3) of the structural part that consist of electrically conductive material are separated from one another by means of intermediate layers (4) consisting of electrically insulating material.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): MR imaging method for producing an image of a patient situated in the examination volume of an MR device, who has a medical implant (1), particularly according to ~~one of claims 1 to 16~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a paramagnetic contrast agent is applied intravenously during the imaging process, which contrast agent is composed in such a manner that the paramagnetic susceptibility of the blood in the surroundings of the medical

implant is essentially equal to the paramagnetic susceptibility of the medical implant itself.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): MR imaging method according to claim 17, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the contrast agent contains at least one substance from the group of ferrites.